REMARKS

Claims 1-24 were pending and presented for examination in this application. In an Office action dated December 1, 2005, claims 1-24 were rejected. Applicant thanks

Examiner for examination of the claims pending in this application and addresses Examiner's comments below.

Applicant is canceling claims 2-3, 11, 16-19, and 24 and adding new claims 25-36 with this Amendment and Response. Applicant is amending claims 1, 4-10, 12-15, and 20-23 in this Amendment and Response. These changes are believed not to introduce new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested. In making these amendments, Applicant does not concede that the subject matter of such claims was in fact disclosed or taught by the cited prior art. Rather, Applicant reserves the right to pursue such protection at a later point in time and merely seeks to pursue protection for the subject matter presented in this submission.

In view of the Amendments herein and the Remarks that follow, Applicant respectfully requests that Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections, and withdraw them.

Response to Rejection Under 35 USC § 102(e) in View of Farazmandnia

In the 3rd paragraph of the Office action, Examiner rejects claims 1-3, 5, and 7-10 under 35 USC § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,625,472 to Farazmandnia et al. ("Farazmandnia").

Claim 1 as amended recites, inter alia, the following:

a processor, coupled to the alphanumeric keyboard, the communication interface, and the display, operable to execute a peripheral application using the user input data and the data received from the wireless communication device thereby generating the processed data, the peripheral application synchronizing only the processed data with the application on the wireless communication device.

The claimed peripheral device has a processor operable to execute a peripheral application that processes user input and data received from the wireless communication device and generates processed data. The peripheral application synchronizes only the processed data with the application on the wireless communication device. As a result, the peripheral device can process the data received from the wireless communication device and the user input data locally by the processor executing the peripheral application, and then synchronize only the processed data with the application on the wireless communication device.

The claimed configuration is beneficially structured to allow data to be manipulated and processed on the peripheral device rather than the wireless communication device making such process less burdensome on the user. Further, the peripheral device can be designed to incorporate a more powerful processor, additional storage devices, and user-friendly features such as spacious display and full-size keyboard because it does not have size limitations of the wireless communication device. Also, by only synchronizing the processed data, another benefit is synchronization between the peripheral device and the wireless communication device can be achieved within a very short period of time.

Farazmandnia does not disclose the claimed invention. Farazmandnia does not disclose using either the cellular telephone or the personal computing device as a peripheral device. Nor does it disclose a processor operable to execute a peripheral application generating processed data based on data from a wireless communication device and user

input and synchronized only the processed data with the wireless communication device. In contrast to the claimed invention, Farazmandnia discloses "a system and method for connecting a cellular telephone to a personal computing device" (Farazmandnia, abstract), such that the personal computing device can use the cellular telephone to access a network. (Id., col. 4, line 4 – col. 5, line 8, and Figs. 1-2) Thus, Farazmandnia does not disclose the claimed feature of a processor operable to execute a peripheral application generating processed data based on data from a wireless communication device and user input and synchronized only the processed data with the wireless communication device.

Based on the above Amendment and Remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that for at least these reasons claim 1 is patentably distinguishable over the cited reference.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that Examiner reconsider the rejection, and withdraw it.

As to the dependent claims 2-3, 5, and 7-10, because claims 2-3 are cancelled and claims 5 and 7-10 as amended are dependent on claim 1, all arguments advanced above with respect to claim 1 are hereby incorporated so as to apply to claims 5 and 7-10 as amended. Applicant respectfully submits that for at least these reasons claims 5 and 7-10 as amended are patentably distinguishable over the cited reference. Therefore, Applicant respectfully request that Examiner reconsider the rejection, and withdraw it.

Response to Rejection Under 35 USC § 103(a) in View of Farazmandnia and Guerlin

In the 4th paragraph of the Office Action, Examiner notes that the application currently names joint inventors. Applicant respectably disagrees and notes that Jeffrey C.

Hawkins is the sole inventor of the claimed invention, as per the declaration submitted on April 1, 2004.

In the 5th paragraph of the Office Action, Examiner rejects claims 4 and 6 under 35 USC § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable in view of Farazmandnia and U.S. Patent No. 5,870,680 to Guerlin et al. ("Guerlin").

Because claims 4 and 6 as amended are both dependent on claim 1, Applicant hereby shows that alone or in combination, Farazmandnia and Guerlin do not disclose the claimed invention as recited in claim 1.

As shown in the previous section, Farazmandnia does not disclose the claimed feature of a processor operable to execute a peripheral application generating processed data based on data from a wireless communication device and user input and synchronized only the processed data with the wireless communication device.

Guerlin does not disclose this claimed feature either. In contrast to the claimed invention, Guerlin discloses "a method and apparatus for conserving energy in a system including two devices interconnected by a data communication link." (Guerlin, abstract, col. 3 lines 59-62.) Guerlin conserves energy by putting both devices in standby mode during periods when the two devices are inactive. (Id., col. 5, line 55 – col. 7, line 48) To place one device, the microcomputer, on standby, the other device, the mobile telephone, either sends a "go to standby" message or ceases to send scanning messages. (Id., col. 6, lines 29-32) Thus, Guerlin does not disclose the claimed feature of a processor operable to execute a peripheral application generating processed data based on data from a wireless communication device and user input and synchronized only the processed data with the wireless communication device.

The combination of Farazmandnia and Guerlin likewise fails to disclose or suggest the above claimed feature. As discussed above, the above claimed feature is not disclosed in either reference. Even if the two references arguably could be combined, at best the combination provides a system and method for connecting a cellular telephone to a personal computing device, such that the personal computing device can use the cellular telephone to access a network, and the system can preserve energy consumption of the two devices by putting them in standby mode by sending or cease to send messages between them, which is not what Applicant claims.

Thus, alone or in combination, Farazmandnia and Guerlin do not disclose the claimed invention as recited in claim 1. As to claims 4 and 6 as amended, because both of them are dependent on claim 1, all arguments advanced above with respect to claim 1 are hereby incorporated so as to apply to claims 4 and 6 as amended.

In the 6th paragraph of the Office Action, Examiner rejects claims 11-24 under 35 USC § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Farazmandnia in view of Guerlin and further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,895,220 to Usui ("Usui"). Because claims 11, 16-19, and 24 are cancelled, this rejection is respectfully nullified with regard to claims 11, 16-19, and 24.

Because claims 12-15 and 20-23 as amended are all dependent on claim 1, Applicant hereby shows that alone or in combination, Farazmandnia, Guerlin, and Usui do not disclose the claimed invention as recited in claim 1.

As discussed in the previous section, alone or in combination, Farazmandnia and Guerlin do not disclose the claimed feature of a processor operable to execute a peripheral application generating processed data based on data from a wireless communication device

and user input and synchronized only the processed data with the wireless communication device.

Usui does not disclose the above-cited claimed feature either. In contrast to the claimed invention, Usui discloses a method and apparatus for conserving energy in a mobile communication device having two wireless sections. (Usui, abstract) Usui conserves energy consumption by performing intermittent power supply to the two wireless sections of the mobile communication device. (Id., col. 8, lines 21-54) Thus, Usui does not disclose the claimed feature of a processor operable to execute a peripheral application generating processed data based on data from a wireless communication device and user input and synchronized only the processed data with the wireless communication device.

The combination of Farazmandnia, Guerlin, and Usui likewise fails to disclose or suggest the above claimed feature. As discussed above, the above claimed feature is not disclosed in any one of the three references. Even if the three references arguably could be combined, at best the combination provides a system and method for connecting a personal computing device to a cellular telephone with two wireless sections, such that the personal computing device can use the cellular telephone to access a network, the system can preserve energy consumption of the two devices by putting them in standby mode by sending or cease to send messages between them, and the cellular telephone can further reduce energy consumption of the two wireless capacities by performing intermittent power supply, which is not what Applicant claims.

Thus, alone or in combination, Farazmandnia, Guerlin, and Usui do not disclose the claimed invention as recited in claim 1. As to claims 12-15 and 20-23 as amended, because

all of them are dependent on claim 1, all arguments advanced above with respect to claim 1 are hereby incorporated so as to apply to claims 12-15 and 20-23 as amended.

In summary, the cited references fail to anticipate, or teach at least the recited "a processor, coupled to the alphanumeric keyboard, the communication interface, and the display, operable to execute a peripheral application using the user input data and the data received from the wireless communication device thereby generating the processed data, the peripheral application synchronizing only the processed data with the application on the wireless communication device." Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the basis for rejection is now obviated and should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

Applicant has added new claims 25-36 for which Applicant requests consideration and examination. Applicant respectfully submits that these are supported by the specification and are commensurate within the scope of protection to which Applicant believes he is entitled.

In sum, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 4-10, 12-15, 20-23, and 25-36 as presented herein, are patentably distinguishable over the cited references (including references cited, but not applied). Therefore, Applicant request reconsideration of the basis for the rejections to these claims and request allowance of them.

In addition, Applicant respectfully invites Examiner to contact Applicant's representative at the number provided below if Examiner believes it will help expedite furtherance of this application.

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